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A copy of the foregoing resolution is forwarded herewith to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore for information, in continuation of this office endorsement No. 7001, dated the 19th November 1910.

First Assistant Resident.

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No. 4675—4722—51.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

(POST OFFICE.)

Simla, the 26th June 1911.

RESOLUTION.

In the Resolution of the Government of India, No. 7843—7880-51, dated the 29th October 1910, certain proposals for increasing the number of Post Office holidays were published for criticism, with the intimation that if there was a generally expressed desire on the part of the public to afford relief in the matter of holidays to the employés of the Post Office, the question would be further considered. The replies which have been received from Local Governments, public bodies and private persons are almost unanimously favourable to the proposals. Modifications have been suggested in some respects, the most important being that the additional Post Office holidays should be selected without exception from festivals notified as public holidays under the Negotiable Instruments Act. The Government of India are unable to accept this view. If the extra holidays were confined to days gazetted under the Negotiable Instruments Act, certain important religious festivals, which the Government of India consider it particularly desirable that postal servants should be permitted to celebrate, would have to be omitted from the list. It would be impossible, for instance, to allow any holidays for Mahommedans in Eastern Bengal and Assam. It is moreover desirable that the additional holidays should be as far as possible uniform in all the postal circles, and the selection of certain days which are not gazetted public holidays throughout India has been in some instances unavoidable. In order, however, to prevent any inconvenience to the public, special arrangements for the disposal of postal business will, if necessary, be made at important centres on occasions when a Post Office holiday is not also a holiday under the Negotiable Instruments Act, and on all the holidays the arrangements, which are at present followed on Sundays, will be made for the despatch and delivery of mails.

The only other modifications in the proposals published with their Resolution, dated the 29th October 1910, which the Government of India consider necessary, are the substitution in all circles except Madras and Burma of *Id-uz-zuha* for *Muharram*, the substitution in the Punjab Circle of *Baisakhi* for *Janmastami*, and the reduction of the additional holidays from six to four in the Burma Circle, where postal work is lighter than elsewhere.

2. The Government of India have accordingly decided that, with effect from the year 1912 and until further orders, the following days shall ordinarily be observed as additional Post Office holidays :—

For all Circles except Madras and Burma.

(1) Id-uz-zuha.

(2) Holi or Doljatra.

(3) Janmastami or Gokul Ashtami (Baisakhi in the Punjab Circle).

(4) Id-ul-Fitr or Ramzan.

(5) Dasehra or one day of the Pujas.

(6) Divali or Kali Puja.

For Madras.

(1) Pongul.

(2) Mahasivarathri (or Telugu New Year).

(3) Avani Avittam (or Tamil New Year).

(4) Ayuda Puja.

(5) Id-ul-Fitr or Ramzan.

(6) Dipavali.

For Burma.

(1) Burmese New Year.

(2) Beginning of Buddhist Lent.

(3) End of Buddhist Lent.

(4) Tazaundaing.

If any of these festivals falls on a day which is already a Post Office holiday, or which is otherwise inconvenient, another date will be selected. The dates to be selected will be notified before the beginning of the year in all post offices and in the Post Office Guide.

3. In the current year two additional post office holidays will be observed in the Burma Circle and three in all other Circles, on the following festivals :—

For Burma.

(1) Beginning of Buddhist Lent.

(2) End of Buddhist Lent.

For all Circles except Burma.

(1) Janmastami or Gokul Ashtami.

(Avani Avittam in the Madras Circle).

(2) Id-ul-Fitr or Ramzan.

(3) Dipavali or Kali Puja.

Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to all Local Governments and Administrations, to all Chambers of Commerce and Trades Associations, to all Departments of the Government of India, and to the Heads of Departments subordinate to the Department of Commerce and Industry.

Ordered, also, that a copy be published in the *Gazette of India.*

B. ROBERTSON,

Secretary to the Government of India.

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